IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

Newns, et al.

Serial No.: 10/697,271 **Group Art Unit**: 1794

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For: METHOD AND STRUCTURE FOR ULTRA-HIGH DENSITY, HIGH DATA

RATE FERROELECTRIC STORAGE DISK TECHNOLOGY USING

STABILIZATION BY A SURFACE CONDUCTING LAYER

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on March 21, 2008, and in accordance with the RCE filed concurrently herewith, please amend the above-identified application prior to evaluation on the merits, as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.